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Bureaucrats Spying On Chief U. S. Spy

Job Security Their Big Concern

ny James Free WASHINGTON — Our number one U. S. spy is, at the moment, the most spied upon Federal agency boss in the country.

He is John A. McCone, director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Secret operatives do not follow him to his off hours. But his every act, word and mood are matters of avid concern to dozens, even hundreds, in higher echelons of the CIA and the State Department Everything he does is analyzed for clues to his thoughts and plans for the future of CIA.

CHANGES LOOM Why? Because private industry-toughened. Republican McCone plainly is squaring away for some bone-rattling changes in CIA key personnel - and probably in CIA

operations too,

Few outsiders will know who is fired or transferred. For CIA hiererchy names are not well known, except possibly in Washington society columns and circles. For example, only its director and his deputy in the huge agency are listed in the Congressional Directory, guide to Federal official-

One reason President Kennedy picked McCone to tighten up things at CIA after the Cuban invasion fiasco was that McCone learned a lot about bureaucratic infighting when he was chairman; of the Atomic Energy Commission under President Eisenhower,

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relations with other countries oft. business. en are influenced by CIA reports on those countries.

between policy makers at State curity is in his hands. and evaluators of intelligence at CIA has been close. There was a long period of the brothers at the summit, the later John Foster Dulles as Secretary of State and Allen W. Dulles as head of CIA. (Sister Eleanor Lansing Dulles

Doubtless this kinship had trickle - down effect on subordinates. Skeptical observers have suspected, on occasion, that CIA-State fraternalism at the top may have influenced the judgment of CLA in its evaluation of basic intelligence materials.

In short, CIA evaluators - consciously or unconsciously - may have tended to support known policy preferences of State Department or White House advisors.

McCONE WATCHERS Thus, when Allen Dulles retired from CIA, after staying on a few month's at the President's request, it was only natural that the new Secretary of State, Dean Rusk, and those closest to him on foreign policy decisions, had their favorites as a successor. So did McGeorge Bundy, White House

foreign affairs specialist.

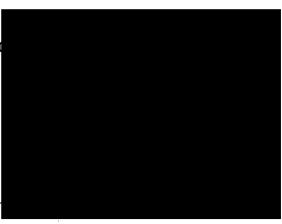
Both Rusk and Bundy were reported to favor appointment of ported to layor appointment of Paul H. Nitze. He has served with distinction in high relatively hush-hush posts under both Democratic and Republican administration. (Nitze is now Assistant Scorptons of Distance in charges of Secretary of Defense in charge of International Security Affairs.)

McCone's nomination caught the movers and shakers of CIA off balance. And his performance so far in office has kept them that way.

They know he is firmly resolved to improve CIA performance and to boost its currently low rating And where do upper level execu- with the President, the Congress tives of the State Department tie and the country. They know that he will speak frankly in closed The answer is that the policies sessions with Congressional comthey recommend for United States mittees as how CIA conducts its

That is why so many of our n those countries.

More often than not, association McCone-watchers. Their job se-



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